

# **HAHNENKAMM CHALET LIMITED**

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## December Newsletter

Dear Members,

We hope that you are all well and looking forward to the festive season. Thank you to those who attended the Hahnenkamm Chalet AGM & Dinner last month, we had a great turn out and an enjoyable night was had by all!

### **Message from the Chairman**

Dear Hahnenkamm Members,

It is hard to believe we are at year end again. The Board thanks all our Ski Club members and their guests who supported the Lodge during the year. The Board and members are also grateful to Greg Gleeson, who retired from the Hahnenkamm Board this year after leading it for so many years. His commitment to the Ski Club and its members was unrelenting and he has ensured the Ski Club is well positioned for the future.

We have an enthusiastic new Lodge Manager, Matthew Whitworth who is looking forward to meeting more members. Matthew will support the Lodge through the summer season and has a particular interest in mountain biking – whether you are a keen rider or looking to give it a go for the first time please do take advantage of his experience on the mountain.

For everyone who will enjoy the Lodge and the mountains over the summer and those skiing overseas, have a wonderful break and stay safe.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Lodge in 2026, and in the meantime, I hope you all unwind with your families over the holiday period.

Suzy Madar, Chairman

### **Welcome our new Lodge Manager Matt!**

We are thrilled to announce that we have a new Lodge manager, Matt Whitworth!

Some of you may have already met Matt through winter whilst he was helping Peter in the lodge.

Matt has worked and lived in Thredbo for the past six years. He is a fine dining chef with 35 years' experience. His cooking career started at Horizons in Jindabyne under the guidance of a French chef.

Matt is also a certified mountain bike guide and instructor and is available to do guided bike and hiking tours throughout the off-season.

He is passionate about mountain bike riding and is offering Hahnenkamm members a free introductory lesson or guided tour when they come stay at the lodge (Guests will be required to pay, speak to Matt about rates should you be interested). Check out the photos that he has provided in this email!

Matt has a goal to increase the number of guests who stay at Hahnenkamm through the off season, and with everything that he is offering, I'm sure he will be successful!

Throughout the off-season Matt works in a couple of jobs at Jindabyne and Thredbo. Should you need to contact him, please leave a message and he will get back to you within 24 hours.

### Welcome to our new Club Secretary, Cindy Withers

We are pleased to announce that Cindy Withers has stepped into Suzy Madar's role of Club Secretary, thank you Cindy!

### PRIORITY BOOKING PERIOD – January 2026

The **Priority Booking period will begin on 1 January 2026 and run through to the end of the month.**

Priority period booking requests can only be made using the attached booking form. **Please do not transfer any money to the Hahnenkamm account.** Please note, all bookings are now paid via the booking system portal, additional credit card fees will not be charged.

When booking, please complete all sections of the priority booking form including:

- the dates that you wish to attend.
- your second preference.

Following this, if your priority booking request is successful:

- A tax invoice will be emailed to you
- You must pay using the credit card link on the invoice **within 48 hours** to avoid your booking being reallocated to another member

### PRIORITY BOOKING PERIOD – clarification of rules

The priority booking rules are available in the members section of the website ([Ski Club Rules](#)).

### Annual Subscription Fee

With further increases in the fixed costs of running the lodge the Board has resolved to increase the annual subscription fee by CPI to \$780.00, including GST. This will take effect January 2026.

Invoices will be sent out in the new year with payment expected within 14 days. Please pay promptly so that your priority winter booking is not affected. Bookings for the winter season will not be processed until the subscription fee is paid. Late payments may incur a cost of \$100.00 administration fees.

### Winter Rates 2026

Winter rates will increase in line with CPI.

Accommodation rates are per person, based on a minimum of 2 adults, or 1 adult and 2 children per room.

Winter 2026	Weekly rate	Daily rate
<b>Members</b>		
Adults	\$970	\$161
Child 15-17	\$700	\$120
Child 2-14	\$490	\$83
<b>Accompanied Guest</b>		
Adult	\$1,560	\$281
18-24	\$1,250	\$229
Child 2-17	\$930	\$172
<b>Unaccompanied Guest</b>		
Adult 18 years+	\$1,940	\$338
Child 2-17	\$980	\$182

<b>2025-2026 Summer Member Rates per day</b>	
Adults	\$38.00
Children 2 – 14 years	\$19.50
Children 15 – 17 years	\$24.00
<b>2025-2026 Summer Accompanied Guest Rates per day</b>	
Adults	\$65.00
Children 2 – 17 years	\$39.00
<b>2025-2026 Summer Unaccompanied Guest Rates per day</b>	
Adults	\$100.00
Children 2 – 17 years	\$50.00

### Summer Events/Festivals!

Thredbo has added so many events and festivals to the December/January line up! These include all things biking, an ongoing Summer Music Series, Yoga, the Snowies Beer, Food & Wine Festival, the Blues Festival and much more! There is availability at the Lodge if you are interested in attending some of these events. Please check the availability of rooms by making a booking request through the online booking system that is on our website.

### Vale Robert Hunt

It was very sad to hear of Robert Hunt's passing earlier this month. Robert had a great love for Thredbo and for Hahnenkamm. He served on the Hahnenkamm board for over 25 years, many of these in the capacity of Chairman. He contributed a great deal not only to Hahnenkamm, but also Thredbo, acting as Barrister for Thredbo in its' litigation against the National Parks following the landslide. We pass on our condolences to Robert's wife Ineke and his family.

## COVID update

The Lodge will continue to follow the directives issued by NSW health. In order to protect the health and wellbeing of members who visit the Lodge, anyone who stays and displays COVID type symptoms will be requested to do a RAT test which will be provided by the Lodge Managers. Should a positive result occur, the member/guest will be asked to leave the Lodge.

## Annual General Meeting and Dinner 2026

We are planning to schedule the 2026 AGM on the weekend following the official opening of the Thredbo Mountain Bike season. At this point in time, the date for the MTB opening has not been set. We will advise once the dates are made available.

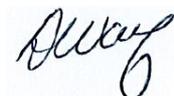
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Hahnenkamm Chalet is on Facebook and Instagram! Tag us in your stories when you are visiting and invite your family and friends to like our page!

## Contact details

Please ensure that you keep us advised of any changes to your contact details by emailing Cindy Withers at [secretary@hahnenkamm.com.au](mailto:secretary@hahnenkamm.com.au).

On behalf of the Board, I would like to extend our best wishes to all of you for a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous 2026! For those of you who will be travelling overseas to ski, it looks like there are great conditions, enjoy!



Diana Wolf  
Director/Newsletter Editor